

**The North Carolina Agricultural Foundation, Inc.
NC FFA Foundation State Appropriations annual report
June 30, 2018**

The funding by the state of North Carolina has provided financial support for the North Carolina FFA Foundation and the North Carolina FFA Center through The North Carolina Agricultural Foundation, Inc. Funding has been used to offset construction cost of a new dining hall and recreational facility at the North Carolina FFA Center.

The construction of a new facility has increased seating capacity from 250 students to 400. This will allow us to provide quality instruction and training to more students in a modern facility with upgraded technology and resources. More than 6,000 students, teachers and government agencies, civic groups and guest utilize the facility annually.

The North Carolina FFA Center at White Lake constructed a new dining hall and recreational facility in 2008 financed through a loan with Cape Fear Farm Credit for \$630,000. The total cost of the loan was to be used to provide educational and leadership training for students in Agricultural Education and FFA in North Carolina. The funds allocated by the North Carolina General Assembly via the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services have been used to alleviate the debt service associated with this new construction. Funds in 2017-18 were used to pay the remaining balance on the loan at \$72,784.79. The additional \$22,215.21 was used to purchase new beds in the newly renovated dorm/bathhouse at the FFA Center.

This project directly impacts the more than 57,000 students enrolled in Agricultural Education and the more than 500 Agricultural Education teachers in North Carolina.

2017-18 Amount appropriated

\$100,000

Expenditures from the NC Ag Foundation:
February 2018

\$100,000 to the NC FFA Assoc/Center
\$100,000